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CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1993 AT 6:00 P.M. IN H-762-1-2-3, SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS CAMPUS

Documents Considered:

BD-D1: ANEEQ-The Explanation (2-4)

BD-D2: V.P. Internal 1992-93 Report (2-5)

BD-D3: V.P. Finance 1992-93 Report (2-5)

BD-D4: Appointments Panel (2-6)

BD-D5: Standing Orders (1-3)

BD-D6: Attendance Policy (2-7)

BD-D7: Vacancies on the Board of Directors (2-8)

BD-D8: 1992-93 Commission of Inquiry into Allegations of Electoral Wronngdoing (2-9)

BD-D9: Youth Vision 2001

1. CALL TO ORDER

Interim chairperson, Daniel Leibu, called this meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

CO-PRESIDENTS

Philip Dalton Lana Grimes ARTS AND SCIENCE

Maha Asfour Pascale Batchoun Ken Blackburn

Cheryl Budman (7:40 p.m.)

FINE ARTS

Kristen Gilbert

Kimberly Jensen (left 9:25 p.m.)

ARTS AND SCIENCE

Helen Ora Cohen Alastair Deri-Power Genevieve Grenier Alamgir Khan

Shafik Mina (left 6:40 p.m.)

Ken McMurray Laurie Nicholson Christine Vieira

COMMERCE

Kristina Bolh

Marc Fares (left 8:45 p.m.)

Emmanuel Kamukama (6:45 p.m.)

Bobby Lunny

Paul O'Connor

Kassan Rahhal (6:25 p.m.)

ENGINEERING

Mohamed Raza Jivraj

Len Podgurny

ABSENT

Arts and Science:

Nada Al-Yazdi (w/r), Tony Nicolas, Stacy Schacter

Engineering:

Walid Sebali

2. APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRPERSON

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Daniel Leibu be appointed Chairperson for this meeting.

Moved by:

P. Dalton

Seconded by:

A. Deri-Power

VOTE ON MOTION

UNANIMOUS

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda of the Special Meeting be approved.

Moved by:

L. Podgurny

Seconded by:

G. Grenier

K. Jensen suggested that an interim Steering Committee be included as an agenda item.

MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE INTERIM STEERING COMMITTEE

Moved by:

K. Jensen

Seconded by:

K. Gilbert

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE INTERIM STEERING COMMITTEE

UNANIMOUS

The Chair stated that this issue would be placed under agenda item 13.1.

L. Podgurny suggested including Teacher's Evaluations as an agenda item.

MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE TEACHER'S EVALUATIONS

Moved by:

L. Podgurny

Seconded by:

A. Deri-Power

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE TEACHER'S EVALUATIONS

UNANIMOUS

The Chair stated that this issue would be placed under agenda item 13.2.

MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE YOUTH VISION 2001

Moved by:

K. Blackburn

Seconded by:

L. Grimes

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE YOUTH VISION 2001

UNANIMOUS

The Chair stated that this issue would be placed under agenda item 13.3.

MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE PLANNING AND PRIORITIES CONFERENCE

Moved by:

A. Deri-Power

Seconded by:

G. Grenier

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE PLANNING AND PRIORITIES CONFERENCE

UNANIMOUS

The Chair stated that this issue would be placed under agenda item 13.4.

F. D'Orazio pointed out that under agenda item 12.0, it should read "1991-92". The correction was duly noted by the

chair.

VOTE ON AMENDED AGENDA

UNANIMOUS

4. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

The chair suggested that directors follow with the order of the agenda and raise only pertinent remarks with respect to the issues at hand as they see fit.

5.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Special meeting held on 14/04/93 be approved.

- G. Grenier pointed out that with respect to the nomination of C. Budman, on P. 17, she was the mover of this motion, not P. Dalton as it presently reads. There were no objections to this correction.
- K. McMurray stated that under the V.P.'s Reports, on P. 9, his remarks should read, " that the first half of the year, K. Beaudoin did do a fair amount of work, but that things began to slide thereafter." There were no objections to this correction.
- A. Deri-Power suggested that all the documents that were handed out at the meeting be included under the "documents considered" section, mainly the omissions of the V.P. External's report and the V.P. Education's. There were no objections to this correction.
- L. Nicholson pointed out that on P. 17, the minutes reflect that G. Grenier was voted in to the CUSAcorp Board of Directors, but that her nomination is not reflected in the minutes. The correction was duly noted by the chair.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES

Moved by:

K. McMurray

Seconded by:

S. Mina

VOTE ON MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES

UNANIMOUS

6.0 Co-President's Report

6.1 V.P. Applications

P. Dalton stated that the V.P. Applications have come in and that they are at the point of setting up an Appointment Panel to get a Hiring Committee going. He also added that he would like to see the interviews conducted next week,

the week of May 10th and that by June 1st, he would like to see a full complement of V.P.'s.

L. Grimes stated that approximately eighteen (18) applications have been submitted and that the Co-Presidents tried to be as lenient as possible with the deadlines, due to the deadline coinciding with exams. She also stated that the position of V.P. Finance seems to have caught the interest of a lot of applicants.

6.2 Audit and Bookeeper

- P. Dalton stated that the auditors are presently working and that they will file for the missing cheques which will be obtained by the bank and forwarded to them. He added that he expects a two-to-three week delay in that stage and that the auditors are projecting that by the second week of June, the 1991-92 audit should be completed.
- L. Grimes stated that the auditors are presently working daily out of the executive office, from 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. and urged directors to drop and ask them any questions they may have. She also stated that many of the missing cheques have been combed through the files and that they are narrowing down the amount of missing cheques.
- P. Dalton stated that the bookkeeper's contract has been terminated. L. Grimes added that since the association is not operational financially, a bookeeper is presently not required from day-to-day. She also added that a letter was issued to H. V. Feldegg and that she has not contacted the Co-Presidents or anyone on her behalf with legal action pending. Lana concluded by saying that it seems to be a happy departure and she doesn't feel that there is a need at the moment to entertain applications for a bookeeper until such time as the control mechanisms that the auditors are going to suggest are in place.
- P. Dalton stated that the Co-Presidents are handling any urgent bookeeping issues including preparing payroll for the staff.

6.3 Financial Report

- P. Dalton stated that the signing authority has been changed over to Lana and himself for the account with the Bank of Montreal and added that there is a balance of \$9, 190.47. He also stated that since then, \$1, 200 in disbursements for urgent requests has been consumed.
- L. Grimes stated that no major outside creditors are being paid until the audit is finished. She also added that urgent requests from clubs and association that have been paid for personally to cover expenses are being examined and paid for, since students shouldn't have to suffer due to CUSA's fowl-ups.
- P. Dalton stated that a creditor's database has been created and added that the idea is to stall creditors until September. He also added that the creditors are being understanding thus far.

6.4 Legal Report

- P. Dalton stated that the Co-Presidents are meeting with Mr. McIninch, CUSA's former legal counsel on Monday to discuss issues that are still pending. He also added that the association was served with a mise en demeure from Humeur Design for \$4,500 that it owes them and that they are proceeding with litigation. Philip stated that the association has some money to cover this amount and that Mr. Longpre has consulted with their lawyer and that they are somewhat understanding about CUSA's financial crisis. He added that they are looking for a gesture of good faith, and are at this point asking for \$1,500 by the end of May and the rest by the end of August.
- P. Dalton stated that CUSA's insurance has come due and that its' premiums are relatively high. He added that insurance is approximately \$6,000-\$7,000 and that this amount will take a major amount out of CUSA's balance, since insurance is required immediately.
- L. Grimes stated that Humeur Design produced boxer shorts and t-shirts last year for CUSA's Orientation. She also added that no attempt was made to sell any of the shorts which are of terrible design and quality and that CUSA couldn't sell them if they tried. P. Dalton stated that they will probably be given away as prizes at this year's Orientation.
- K. Gilbert stated that the shorts weren't sold due to the fact that they weren't to CUSA's specifications. She added that a letter was written to Humeur Design notifying them to take their merchandise back, since CUSA was not accepting their product and was refusing to pay for them. P. Dalton asked K. Gilbert if it would be possible to find a copy of that letter as soon as possible in order to avoid frivolous costs.
- S. Mina apologized for having to leave the meeting.

(Time: 6:40 p.m.)

6. 5 CUSAcorp

- P. Dalton stated that L. Grimes and himself met with Dean Counihan and suggested to him that CUSA keep Mugshots open for the summer, to allow students a lounge space, the use of pool tables, video games and the microwave. L. Grimes added that Alouette has agreed to assume the risk of the pool tables and at least, at no cost to CUSA this administration can begin to appear to service the students.
- P. Dalton stated that the Co-Presidents have obtained keys to Loyola and that a clean-up is in order for this weekend.
- L. Grimes stated that there are a few areas to the Campus Centre that access is not yet feasible, such as the Dive due to the locksmith requiring to order a special lock. She also added that the basement of the Campus Centre is an incredible mess and urged all directors to participate this Saturday morning in helping to put all in order. Lana added that a barbecue is in order for those who attend as the clean-up will consume the entire day.
- P. Dalton stated that J. Wells from CUSAprint will be conducting an inventory and that the printshop is scheduled

to close for ten (10) weeks beginning the month of May. He also stated that J. Wells doesn't anticipate having much business. L. Grimes stated J. Wells hasn't had a vacation in a long time, business is slow and it relieves CUSA of a lot of payroll disbursements.

G. Grenier asked to know if CUSA would be reimbursing candidates who ran in the elections for their half of the expenses incurred. L. Grimes replied that she should contact the Dean of Students Office and submit to them all receipts as well.

6.6 CUSA Centre Inc.

P. Dalton stated that CUSA is waiting for the building permits in order to proceed with the Mezzanine renovations, and that upon issuance of the building permits, the university will go to tender and acquisition of the liquor license will ensue. Philip stated that there is a new Alcohol Policy being drafted which has some real problems and will be addressed at a later meeting.

B. Lunny asked to know if the Mezzanine project will be operational in September. L. Grimes replied that it is feasible.

P.Dalton stated that the Vice Presidents have to be hired as soon as possible, since a V.P. is required for the CUSA Centre Inc. Board of Directors.

6.7 Union

P. Dalton stated that a new union executive is in place. L. Grimes added that the President is Sarah Fowlie, the Housing Director, the Vice-President is Reesa Rosen, an employee of CUSAcorp, the Secretary is Michelle Tracy, the Job Bank Director and the Treasurer is John Wells from CUSAprint. She also stated that relations with the union will be very amicable.

6.8 ANEEQ

L. Grimes stated that ANEEQ is the provincial association, of which Concordia is a member. She also stated that K. McMurray has prepared for the Board a one (1) page introduction on ANEEQ and added that he has been very involved with this organization for a long time. Lana stated that ANEEQ is composed of universities and CEGEPS of Quebec and as it stands, there are two (2) universities, Concordia being one of them and UQAM and fifteen CEGEPS.

L. Grimes stated that there is pressure inside ANEEQ to get moving on something and added that the National Congress was formed last weekend. She added that Concordia did attend and made it very clear that they were there only as an observed status because there was controversy as to whether that meeting was legitimate or not. Lana added that the outcome was that they revoked their observed status due to an agenda item being the election of the

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executive of ANEEQ.

L. Grimes stated that it was made very clear at this meeting, that until such time as they acquire more information, that Concordia would not participate. She also stated that in the end, the people who were at the meeting agreed to compromise and have agreed to have a National Congress take place the end of May. Lana concluded by saying that their first external political move was successful and now have three (3) extra weeks to inform themselves with regards to what stand needs to be taken and what information needs to be forthcoming on behalf of Concordia's constituencies.

6.9 Challenge Grants

- L. Grimes stated that sometime ago, the association applied for challenge grants and that it has now been granted two (2) of them, whereby two (2) students will be hired to work full time over the summer months. She also stated that the government subsidizes the hourly wage of the employee and the recipient company provides the remaining half.
- L. Grimes stated that the paperwork will be arriving from the government this week, whereby more details will be forthcoming.

6.10 Walk Safe

- P. Dalton stated that there is a move on campus to create a walk safe network and that there is already a walk safe program operating out of the Bryan building, at the Loyola Campus. G. Grenier clarified the walk safe program at the Bryan building, by saying that it is merely students looking out for students and works only within the building, whereby they don't escort anyone out of the building.
- P. Dalton stated that a number of individuals including S. Hokayem, S. Letovsky and all individuals working on the walk safe program, including administrative personnel met and that it was agreed that an advisory council will be formed with its goal being to have this program operational by September. He added that the student membership has been expanded to include representatives from CUSA, CASA, ECA and the GSA. Philip stated that by the next meeting CUSA will be appointing an individual to be its representative and hiring a coordinator.

6.11 Agreements with Link/Concordian/Q-PIRG

- P. Dalton stated that these three (3) bodies wish to have separate accounts since they are autonomous bodies. He explained that presently their fees are collected through CUSA and then remitted to them, or not, as has been the case this year. He also added that in the next few weeks an agreement should be finalized and that it is basically housekeeping.
- L. Grimes stated that these groups are financially and in all ways autonomous from CUSA, however since the

money is collected from the university and given to CUSA, the association has the obligation to remit it to them. She also added that students are under the impression that these bodies are a part of CUSA and the Board should consider if this is the direction it should be taking.

L. Grimes stated that CUSA has been performing internal accounting for these bodies for free and that this is an opportunity to look at the space agreement that CUSA has. Lana added that CUSA has a fifteen (15) year contract with the Link, no written contract with the Concordian and another agreement with Q-PIRG. She concluded by saying that now is the time to sort out these issues and look into the space agreement with the university as well.

L. Grimes welcomed arguments with regards to the above issue and added that for the students that are concerned with the editorial content of the newspapers, CUSA never had nor will it ever have any control over the editorial content. She also added that what is being looked into is their own constitutions, where the students of Concordia can find ways to express themselves and their concerns. Lana stated that a mutual referendum agreement is being examined as well and that the end result is to split away completely.

Questions with Regards to the Co-Presidential Report

L. Grimes apologized to the Board for not having the necessary documents prepared on time due to an overwhelming amount of work and unforeseeable interruptions at the office, which results from the open door policy for students to discuss issues that concern them.

K. Jensen asked to know if the there has been a figure prepared with respect to the total amount owed to creditors. L. Grimes reported an estimate of approximately \$250, 000 is owed, of which \$35, 000 to the Toronto Dominion Bank, over \$30, 000 to the university, \$27, 000 to the auditing firm before they started, at least \$30, 000 to the government, \$20, 000 to Q-PRIG, \$10, 000 to the Concordian and thousands of dollars to the creditors. Lana added that the Link is only owed interest, since it has been paid to the penny.

K. Gilbert stated that it has to be taken into consideration that for the last semester, the association hasn't been receiving the amount that has been collected for CUSA from the students. P. Dalton replied that this amounts to \$25,000 which CUSA did obtain and covered payroll from the university account. He added that CUSA has exhausted this entire amount and has still gone into a deficit in the internal account.

L. Grimes stated that the only money that is soon to be coming from the university is approximately \$50,000 in the summer fees, of which \$35,000 has to go to the Toronto Dominion Bank, followed by the university.

(Time: 7:00 p.m.)

7.0 VICE-PRESIDENTS' REPORT

7.1 V.P. Internal 1992-93

G. Grenier stated that K. Jensen's report merits a compliment given its' quality.

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7.2 V.P. Finance 1992-93

There were no remarks with respect to the V.P. Finance's report.

8.0 Appointments Panel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the "Appointments Panel" committee be formed, effective immediately in accordance to document 2-6, and;

_____, Fine Arts Faculty

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following be appointed to the Appointments Panel:

Lana Grimes, Co-President

Philip Dalton, Co-President

______, Arts and Science Faculty

______, Commerce and Administration Faculty

______, Engineering and Computer Science Faculty

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the committee be given the mandate to present their own recommendations to the Board of Directors no later than ______ with respect to the following positions: VP Academic, VP Administration and Student Life, VP Finance, VP Information and Liaison and VP Services.

Moved by:

L. Grimes

Seconded by:

P. Dalton

K. Gilbert asked to know if the mandate has been expanded. L. Grimes replied that the motion is to facilitate the interviews, that she would like to take place next week, for the Vice-Presidents and report back to the Board a short selection for it to decide upon which V.P.'s will be hired.

K. Gilbert asked to know if the Appointments Panel would bring its suggestion of candidates to the Board and if in effect it would be a second interview. L. Grimes replied that it is an opportunity for the Board to hear the suggestions of the Appointments Panel and ask any additional questions they may have. Lana added that it is an attempt to avoid any suspicions from arising this year with respect to the candidates that will be hired.

K. Gilbert asked to know what amount the honorariums of the Vice-Presidents will be. P. Dalton replied that the Vice-Presidents will be hired by June 1st and that by the end of the next meeting, a Finance Committee will be established to decide on the amount that the Vice-Presidents will receive. L. Grimes stated that it is her intention that the Vice-Presidents will be paid and that the Board will probably be shocked at what she will suggest that they receive in honorariums.

L. Grimes stated that the reason that the composition of the Appointments Panel includes both Co-Presidents, is due

to the fact that both of them will be working with the Vice-Presidents on a daily basis.

P. Dalton stated that the interviews will be conducted next weekend and that all candidates will be given an interview.

K. Rahhal asked to know who can call a meeting for the Appointments Panel. L. Grimes replied that any director can call a meeting but that the meeting cannot take place unless at least one (1) Co-President attends.

MOTION TO AMEND ARTICLE 3.2

Meetings of the panel can be called by any two (2) members of the panel and will be in order as long as one (1) of the Co-Presidents is in attendance.

Moved by:

K. Rahhal

Seconded by:

L. Grimes

There were no objections to this amendment.

L. Grimes welcomed directors to drop by the office and read through the applications of the Vice-Presidential candidates.

The Chair suggested that the date of the ______ be filled. L. Grimes suggested May 17th. The _____ was filled with this date.

The Chair opened the floor for nominations to the Appointment Panel, beginning with the seat for the faculty of Arts and Science.

MOTION TO NOMINATE K. MCMURRAY

Moved by:

K. McMurray

MOTION TO NOMINATE A. KHAN

Moved by:

A. Khan

MOTION TO NOMINATE L. NICHOLSON

Moved by:

K. Blackburn

MOTION TO NOMINATE C. VIEIRA

Moved by:

C. Vieira

MOTION TO NOMINATE A. DERI-POWER

Moved by:

A. Deri-Power

MOTION TO HAVE THE VOTE BY SECRET BALLOT

Moved by:

P. Dalton

Seconded by:

К. МсМитау

The Chair suggested that all the nominations for all the faculties be forthcoming before the vote proceeds.

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the seat under the faculty of Commerce and Administration.

MOTION TO NOMINATE K. RAHHAL

Moved by:

L. Nicholson

MOTION TO NOMINATE K. BOLH

Moved by:

P. Dalton

K. Bolh declined her nomination.

MOTION TO NOMINATE B. LUNNY

Moved by:

E. Kamukama

B. Lunny declined his nomination.

MOTION TO NOMINATE E. KAMUKAMA

Moved by:

E. Kamukama

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the seat under the faculty of Engineering and Computer Science.

MOTION TO NOMINATE M. JIVRAJ

Moved by:

A. Khan

M. Jivraj declined his nomination.

MOTION TO NOMINATE L. PODGURNY

Moved by:

L. Grimes

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the seat under the faculty of Fine Arts.

K. Jensen and K. Gilbert discussed it amongst themselves and agreed that K. Gilbert would be the representative from Fine Arts.

While the Chair was counting the ballots, a ten (10) minute recess was granted.

(Time: 7:30 p.m.)

The meeting resumed at 7:45 p.m.

The chair announced the results to the vote, whereby from the faculty of Arts and Science it was L. Nicholson and K. Rahhal from the faculty of Commerce and Administration. K. Gilbert, from the faculty of Fine Arts and L. Podgurny, from the faculty of Engineering and Computer Science were both acclaimed.

Motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the "Appointments Panel" committee be formed, effective immediately in accordance to document 2-6, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following be appointed to the Appointments Panel:

Lana Grimes, Co-President

Philip Dalton, Co-President

- L. Nicholson, Arts and Science Faculty
- K. Rahhal, Commerce and Administration Faculty
- L. Podgurny, Engineering and Computer Science Faculty
- K. Gilbert, Fine Arts Faculty

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the committee be given the mandate to present their own recommendations to the Board of Directors no later than May 17th with respect to the following positions: VP Academic, VP Administration and Student Life, VP Finance, VP Information and Liaison and VP Services.

VOTE ON MOTION

UNANIMOUS

9.0 REVIEW OF CUSA POLICIES

9.1 Standing Orders

motion 597

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that document 1-3, entitled "Standing Orders of the CUSA Board of Directors" and presented to the Board on April 14, 1993, be adopted and that all other Standing Orders of the CUSA Board of Directors be rescinded.

Moved by:

A. Deri-Power

Seconded by:

L. Grimes

A. Deri-Power stated that directors had three (3) weeks to think about the Standing Orders and that very simply put these revised Standing Orders are a lot more clear and concise. He also added that they don't place any limitations on the time limit of meetings.

M. Jivraj stated that the three (3) hour time limit is a guideline and he doesn't want to come to a meeting whereby it could last five hours. He also added that the Board could always just move a motion to extend the meeting if it isn't finished conducting its business.

K. Jensen stated that all meetings of Senate and Board of Governors have a time limit as well.

MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE STANDING ORDER #5 OF THE OLD STANDING ORDERS TO THE NEW STANDING ORDERS

Moved by:

K. Jensen

Seconded by:

K. McMurray

The Chair explained to the Board that this amendment entails including a provision whereby the Board cannot hold any meetings on religious holidays.

- C. Budman stated that it needs to be established what a religious holiday is.
- P. Dalton stated that it is important to respect people's religious holidays but that sub-committees of the Board shouldn't be restricted from meeting on holidays if need be. He also suggested that directors compile a list of religious holidays they wish to respect and thereby meetings will not be held on those days.
- K. Rahhal stated that Standing Order #5 was created to protect minorities' rights

A. Khan stated that he cannot provide a list of when his religious holidays are, due to the fact that the Islam religion is very rigid.

The Chair suggested amending the motion to state that "no Board meetings shall be held when somebody can't come because of a religious holiday." L. Grimes replied that this amendment constitutes absence "with regrets". P.

Dalton stated that there was a meeting this summer that was cancelled due to a Jewish holiday, which prevented the Board from meeting for a month.

L. Grimes stated that every attempt will be made to respect religious holidays when scheduling meetings.

The Chair suggested placing a provision in the new Standing Orders that states that "meetings be scheduled respecting all religious holidays and that the appropriate holidays be submitted to the Steering Committee."

L. Podgurny stated that in the attendance policy, dated 1988, it is stated that "directors are solely responsible for informing him or herself as to the date, time and place of any regular meeting of the Board of Directors. He suggested that this be amended to include that "directors are responsible for providing a list to the Board of days they cannot meet due to religious commitments."

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE STANDING ORDER #5 OF THE OLD STANDING ORDERS

UNANIMOUS

K. Rahhal stated that article #2 of the new Standing Orders does not state how many days in advance.

MOTION TO AMEND

The Steering Committee will, as specified in their mandate, set the agendas of all regular Board of Directors' meetings, at least five (5) days prior to the meeting.

Moved by:

K. Rahhal

Seconded by:

G. Grenier

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND

UNANIMOUS

- A. Deri-Power stated that the problem he has with the three (3) hour time limit is that it introduces restrictions whereby directors may feel pressured to end the meeting. He also stated that if directors wish to have the meeting adjourned after the three (3) hour time limit, they may present a motion to do so.
- K. McMurray stated that he doesn't like to come into meetings not knowing how long he will be there and that some form of timeline is required as a guide for meetings.
- L. Nicholson stated that rescinding article #6 of the Standing Orders, whereby meetings will be held on Wednesday evenings is not a good idea, considering that she scheduled her timetable around having Wednesday evenings free for Board meetings. The Chair replied that at the last meeting, it was requested from all directors to submit their availability and that upon doing so, the most suitable time and day would be selected as the basis for having meetings.

MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE STANDING ORDER #6 TO THE NEW STANDING ORDERS

Moved by:

M. Jivraj

Seconded by:

K. Jensen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a maximum time limit of three (3) hours be set for all Board of Directors meetings, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board may, after the regular period has expired, vote by a simple majority to extend the length of the meeting.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND

11/8/1

CARRIED

VOTE ON MOTION TO ADOPT THE NEW AMENDED POLICY

UNANIMOUS

9.2 Attendance Policy

Motion 598

BE IT RESOLVED THAT document 2-7, entitled "Attendance Policy" and presented to the Board on May 5th 1993, be adopted and that all other policies pertaining to attendance of directors' be rescinded.

C. Vieira asked for clarification with regards to articles 3.1 and 3.2, specifically between a "justified and unjustified" absence. The Chair replied that a justified absence requires calling 48 hours in advance, and constitutes absence with regrets (w/r), whereas in an unjustified absence there is no notification whatsoever. C. Vieira stated that it is very difficult to predict 48 hours in advance if something urgent arises.

MOTION TO AMEND ARTICLE 1.2

A director is solely responsible for advising the Secretary of the Board whether s/he shall be present or absent at a regular meeting of the Board 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

Moved by:

C. Vieira

Seconded by:

K. Gilbert

- P. Dalton stated that if something urgent arises, with compassionate grounds a (w/r) will be granted. C. Vieira replied that waking up ill does not leave room for an absence (w/r).
- L. Grimes stated that these suggested policies apply to regular meetings, which will take place approximately once a month. She also added that if three (3) meetings are missed without regrets to the secretary, this implies that the director hasn't been present in three (3) months. Lana concluded by saying that she agrees with the 48 hour

guideline.

K. Blackburn suggested changing the wording of "attendance" to "performance" and added that it is not necessary to attend in order to perform.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND ARTICLE 1.2

12/7/1

CARRIED

K. McMurray expressed concern with the limit of justified absences, given that during the summer directors work or may be out of town.

P. Dalton stated that five (5) justified absences for regular meetings is a lot and added that directors have to be present for students.

MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE ARTICLE 3.3

Notwithstanding Article 3.1 of this policy, five (5) justified or unjustified absences, in any combination, from a regular Board of Directors meeting, may be considered grounds for removal from office.

Moved by:

A. Deri-Power

Seconded by:

A. Khan

L. Grimes proposed amending the article to read "five (5) absences", since the wording of this new article contradicts article 3.1.

MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE ARTICLE 3.3

Notwithstanding Article 3.1 of this policy, five (5) absences, in any combination, from a regular Board of Directors meeting, may be considered grounds for removal from office.

Moved by:

A. Deri-Power

Seconded by:

A. Khan

MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE ARTICLE 3.3

Notwithstanding Article 3.1 of this policy, seven (7) absences, in any combination, from a regular Board of Directors meeting, may be considered grounds for removal from office.

Moved by:

P. Dalton

Seconded by:

K. Rahhal

A. Deri-Power stated that this amendment allows for directors to be absent an entire semester and that the Board in good faith to students, should not allow for this to occur.

P. Dalton stated that directors should not miss meetings but he feels that there is a concern from directors with regards to the amount of missed meetings one is allowed. He added that things come up and that he doesn't want to target directors. Philip concluded by saying that directors should vote accordingly and take into consideration that this amendment applies to regular meetings.

MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION

Moved by:

L. Podgurny

Seconded by:

K. Blackburn

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND TO INCLUDE ARTICLE 3.3		UNANIMOUS
VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND ARTICLE 3.3 TO READ SEVEN (7) ABSENCES	4/12/1	FAILED
VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND ARTICLE 3.3 TO READ FIVE (5) ABSENCES	13/0/3	CARRIED
VOTE ON MOTION TO ADD ARTICLE 3.3	17/2/2	CARRIED
VOTE ON MOTION TO ADOPT THE POLICY	16/3//1	CARRIED

(Time: 8:45 p.m.)

10.0 Ratification of New Clubs and Associations

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following group receive official CUSA recognition: International Socialist Students Association.

Moved by:

K. McMurray

Seconded by:

A. Deri-Power

- K. McMurray stated that after having spoken to G. Holman from the Judicial Board, the Constitution of the International Socialist Students Association had no problems and has received the approval of the Judicial Board.
- L. Nicholson asked to know what this group's mandate is. Debra, a present member of this group, stated that they have socialist perspectives and function on campus as a study circle. She also stated that they have regular meetings where they focus on classical Marxist literature and any current events that are currently happening with a socialist perspective. Debra concluded by saying that the group stays in touch with other groups and participates in any coalitions that take place.
- L. Grimes asked to know what provincial and national groups this group is affiliated with. Debra replied that they

are affiliated with major universities across Canada and have connections with a group named the International Socialists.

- K. Rahhal asked for more clarification with regards to this group. Debra replied that they try to develop a socialist analysis on the world around them, have a foundation of Marxist theory and thoughts and incorporate this with their analysis.
- L. Grimes stated that political groups on campus like the International Socialists are seeking to acquire recognition in order to book space from the university and obtain a mailbox from CUSA. Debra added that they are looking for a place to hold their meetings and a mailbox for students to get in touch with them. L. Grimes replied that this process is automatic and that the ratification process from CUSA is not required.
- H. O. Cohen asked for clarification with regards to article #5 and #3 of their constitution on membership. Debra replied that this constitution was drafted a few years ago and and was modeled from other associations' constitutions.
- H. O. Cohen suggested that article #5 be corrected to read "any body" rather than "any member". The Chair stated that the Judicial Board has already analysed this constitution.
- P. Dalton expressed concern over the wording of article #3 of this group's constitution, in that he does not want to automatically be a member of any political group. Debra replied that the intent of this article is for people to freely choose and assume which groups they belong to and that the council members have to be CUSA fee paying members.

AMENDED MOTION

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the International Socialist Students Association receive official CUSA recognition, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT article #3 of their constitution be changed to read any member of CUSA is eligible to be a member of the International Socialist Students Association, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this amendment will be reflected in their constitution by September 1st, 1993.

VOTE ON MOTION

UNANIMOUS

MOTION TO EXTEND THE MEETING

Moved by:

A. Deri-Power

Seconded by:

K. McMurray

VOTE ON MOTION TO EXTEND THE MEETING

UNANIMOUS

11. Vacancies of the Board of Directors

The Chair stated that the Board has article 2-8 which pertains to this agenda item and that L. Podgurny has some information to add as well. He also informed the Board that there are two (2) vacant seats which need to be filled, one (1) in the faculty of Commerce and Administration and the other in the faculty of Fine Arts.

L. Podgurny stated that he would like to see the Board fill all the vacant seats as soon as possible and that document 2-8 was a suggestion on how to fill these vacancies.

Motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors retain the services of the CUSA CRO to organize a by-election to fill vacant seats on the Board of Directors, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT these vacancies be advertised during the month of September and filled by September 30, 1993.

Moved by:

L. Podgurny

Seconded by:

K. Jensen

K. McMurray expressed concern with respect to the date, in that there is a period for campaigning and nominations and added that students are orienting themselves in the month of September and risk the chance of missing these deadlines.

K. Rahhal expressed concern over whether this allows ample time for the Judicial Board to hire a new Chief Returning Officer.

MOTION TO AMEND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT these vacancies be advertised and filled as the Board sees fit.

Moved by:

L. Podgurny

Seconded by:

K. Rahhal

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND

UNANIMOUS

Amended Motion:

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VOTE ON MOTION

UNANIMOUS

12.0 1992-93 Commission of Inquiry into Allegations of Electoral Wrongdoing

WHEREAS CUSA created a "Special Commission into Allegations of Electoral Wrongdoing" at a special meeting of its Board of Directors held March 25th 1992, and;

WHEREAS the Commission was mandated to "make (...) all its findings public", and;

WHEREAS the testimony of all those who appeared before the Commission was not transcribed because, according to the Commission's chair, Brian Counihan, the Commission had exceeded its budget for transcribing testimony, and;

WHEREAS the Commission has, as a result of the circumstances, thus far violated its mandate bestowed to it by CUSA, and

WHEREAS Mr. Counihan has estimated that six (6) person-hours at \$10/hour is required to transcribe the remaining testimony,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT CUSA allot to the Commission a sum of \$100 to fulfill its mandate, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT CUSA receive a copy of the deliberations and testimonies that it is able to receive.

Moved by:

L. Grimes

Seconded by:

L. Podgurny

F. D'Orazio introduced himself and stated that the first half of his testimony was not transcribed. He also added that he was told that the Commission had exhausted its budget and wishes for the Board to allot the necessary amount for the Commission to fulfill its mandate, in transcribing the testimonies of those who appeared before the Commission.

K. McMurray stated that he was under the impression that when he testified under the Commission that his testimony was done in confidentiality and that although he has no fears of any repercussions, he is concerned about others who testified under the idea that it was done in confidentiality. L. Grimes replied that the individuals would have to consent to having their testimony released before it could be transcribed.

L. Grimes stated that CUSA started this Commission and that it has an obligation to complete what it began as best it can.

VOTE ON MOTION

UNANIMOUS

- 13.0 OTHER BUSINESS
- 13.1 Steering Committee

BE IT RESOLVED THAT an interim Steering Committee be formed, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following be appointed to the interim Steering Committee:

Either one of the Co-Presidents
One (1) member from each faculty
With the interim Chairperson of the Board of Directors acting as non-voting chairperson, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT quorum for this committee shall be three (3) out of five (5) members.

Moved by:

K. Jensen

Seconded by:

H. O. Cohen

P. Dalton suggested that the Co-Presidents rotate attending these meetings rather than appointing one (1) permanent Co-President.

The Chair suggested filling in the blanks.

The Chair accepted nominations for all faculties.

MOTION TO NOMINATE G. GRENIER

Moved by:

P. Dalton

MOTION TO NOMINATE K. RAHHAL

Moved by:

L. Nicholson

MOTION TO NOMINATE P. BATCHOUN

Moved by:

K. Rahhal

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Seconded by:

L. Podgurny

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Moved by:

P. Dalton

MOTION TO NOMINATE K. RAHHAL

Moved by:

L. Nicholson

MOTION TO NOMINATE P. BATCHOUN

Moved by:

K. Rahhal

MOTION TO NOMINATE K. JENSEN

Moved by:

K. Gilbert

MOTION TO NOMINATE M. JIVRAJ

Moved by:

L. Podgurny

The following directors were acclaimed on the Steering Committee: K. Rahhal from the faculty of Commerce and Administration, M. Jivraj, from the faculty of Engineering and Computer Science, and K. Jensen from the faculty of Fine Arts.

A vote ensued for the two (2) candidates from the faculty of Arts and Science, P. Batchoun and G. Grenier. A re-vote was necessary to break a 7-7 in favour tie between the two candidates.

IN FAVOUR OF G.GRENIER

5/0/6

FAILED

IN FAVOUR OF P. BATCHOUN

8/0/6

CARRIED

L. Grimes suggested amending the motion to have two (2) candidates from the faculty of Arts and Science, thereby both P. Batchoun and G. Grenier could sit on the Steering Committee. There were no objections to this amendment. It was consequently agreed that quorum would be four (4) out of six (6) directors.

Amended motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT an interim Steering Committee be formed, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following be appointed to the interim Steering Committee:

Either one of the Co-Presidents

Two (2) members from the faculty of Arts and Science

One (1) member from the faculty of Commerce and Administration

One (1) member from the faculty of Engineering and Computer Science

One (1) member from the faculty of Fine Arts

With the interim Chairperson of the Board of Directors acting as non-voting chairperson, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT quorum for this committee shall be four (4) out of six (6) members, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following be appointed to the Steering Committee: P. Batchoun, G. Grenier, K. Rahhal, M. Jivraj, K. Jensen and either one (1) of the Co-Presidents.

VOTE ON MOTION

UNANIMOUS

13.2 Teacher's Evaluations

- L. Podgurny stated that in the faculty of Engineering and Computer Science, teacher evaluations are held in check until a teacher comes up for review of tenure. He added that this mechanism does not help the students very much and is ineffective.
- L. Podgurny stated that the faculty of Commerce and Administration will be firing thirteen (13) of their part-time professors since they do not have Ph.D's and are teaching one to two courses a semester, but that do have invaluable work experience in the field. He also stated that after having spoken to the CASA President, their students are starting to petition and show up at their faculty council meetings.
- K. Gilbert asked to know if the students are furious that the teachers are getting fired or because of what the teachers have done in consequence to having being fired. L. Podgurny replied that part of the problem stems from the fact that teachers are withholding grades and that the general opinion is that a lot of these teachers are among the best in the faculty, due to their direct experience in the field, whereby they can relate issues very concisely to the students.
- L. Podgurny stated that one of the objectives in the V.P. Academic's mandate is to publish a CUSA teacher evaluation. He added that after having spoken to M. Fares, one of the suggestions was to have teacher evaluations posted in the library. Len suggested that the Board should take a stand on these issues as soon as possible.
- M. Asfour stated that she sees two (2) distinct issues, one being the teacher evaluations and the second being the firing of the Commerce professors. L. Podgurny replied that the issue is that these professors are being fired, when they received good evaluations from students.
- H. O. Cohen stated that evaluations vary departmentally and asked to know how limited the access is to students. L. Podgumy replied that there is none for students. H. O. Cohen stated that if a student insists really hard, s/he can obtain access to departmental evaluations.
- G. Grenier asked to know if these professors have been terminated yet. L. Podgurny replied that they are going to be.
- C. Vieira asked to know what impact the professors from the faculty of Commerce getting fired have on the discussion of teacher evaluations. L. Podgurny replied that it is ideally desired for students to have more control over teacher evaluations and over the process of review of teachers.

Motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CUSA V.P. Academic be additionally mandated to improve student input and control to the presently existing structure of teacher evaluations controlled

by the various faculties or departments.

Moved by:

L. Podgurny

Seconded by:

L. Grimes

L. Grimes stated that CUSA should undertake itself to do its own teacher evaluations, as professionally as the university is doing them, have them published and on file.

VOTE ON MOTION

UNANIMOUS

K. Gilbert stated that the Board needs to know the reasons why the Commerce professors are being dismissed. L. Podgurny replied that CASA has taken a stand on this issue and that CUSA should endorse whatever action it takes.

13.3 Youth Vision 2001

K. Blackburn stated that Youth Vision 2001 is a political organization, however it is choosing not to affiliate itself with any political organization in Canada. He added that through the Political Science Department and Dr. Habib, who has instituted a 400 level tutorial, students will be involved in conducting research, which will be forwarded to this group. Ken stated that the group hopes to present this research at a later date to the House of Commons and that support is forthcoming from Generation 2000 and various other organizations.

K. Blackburn stated that three (3) other universities are participating in this project, namely McGill, UQAM and Universite de Montreal and added that what he is seeking from CUSA is the use of its photocopying services to make 3, 000 copies, in addition to some computer time. E. Kamukama replied that it is cheaper to make copies at Printing Services or through CUSAprint.

L. Grimes suggested that CUSA subsidize one quarter of the costs of printing this material or 750 copies and that the three other universities subsidize the remaining copies.

K. Blackburn stated that this organization has been running a personal budget for one (1) year and that it will also handle on its own the costs of mailing.

E. Kamukama suggested that this organization approach the CCSL Special Projects Committee for any funding it may need for the mailout.

Motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CUSA Board of Directors will support up to 750 sheets of copied paper for Youth Vision 2001.

Moved by:

L. Grimes

Seconded by:

K. Blackburn

VOTE ON MOTION

UNANIMOUS

13.4 Planning and Priorities Conference

A. Deri-Power suggested that an Orientation and Priorities Conference be organized to plan the priorities for the coming year.

Motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT G. Grenier and A. Deri-Power undertake the organization of the Planning and Priorities Conference, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT these two individuals report back to the Board for more details at the next meeting.

Moved by:

A. Deri-Power

Seconded by:

G. Grenier

VOTE ON MOTION

UNANIMOUS

L. Grimes suggested that directors car pool for Saturday, when going to Loyola for the clean-up.

14.0 Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the next meeting of the Board of Directors be held on Wednesday, May 19th at 5:00 p.m.

Moved by:

L. Nicholson

Seconded by:

K. Blackburn

VOTE ON MOTION

UNANIMOUS

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by:

L. Nicholson

Seconded by:

K. Rahhal

VOTE ON MOTION TO ADJOURN

UNANIMOUS

This meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

D. Leibu, Chairperson

H. Danakas, Secretary